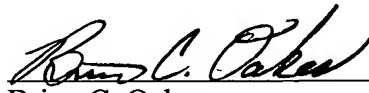


REMARKS

Claims 1-8 have been cancelled and claims 9-16 represent original claims
1-8 amended to conform to U.S. practice.

Examination on the merits is requested.

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